

# The Hongkong Telegraph.

No. 3086

FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1892.

SIX DOLLARS  
PER QUARTER

**Banks.**

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK  
CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL ..... \$2,000,000  
PAID-UP CAPITAL ..... \$10,000

LONDON:  
Head Office.....40, Threadneedle Street.  
West End Office.....25, Cockspur Street.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN  
AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT,  
Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE,  
Issues LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for  
COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and  
Agency Business generally, on terms to be had  
on application.

E. W. RUTTER,  
Manager.

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Scotland: The Commercial Bank of Scotland.

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Yokohama—D. FRASER, Manager.

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CURRENT ACCOUNTS 2

For Rates of Interest for other periods apply  
to the Manager.

Hongkong, 17th February, 1892.

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## Notices of Firms.

### NOTICE.

THE style of the Firm of POATE & NOBLE,  
DENTAL SURGEONS, has been changed to  
Dr. J. W. NOBLE, and will be represented as  
under:

JOSEPH W. NOBLE, Hongkong  
HERBERT D. REGUA, and  
CHAS. L. SNYDER, Singapore.

HERBERT POATE, 35, Brook Street,  
Grosvenor Square, London, W.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892.

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### NOTICE.

WE have this day authorized Mr. CARL  
WILHELM LONGUET to sign our  
Firm per procuratum.

KRUSE & Co.,  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

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### NOTICE.

WE have authorized Mr. J. A. BARRETO  
to sign the name of our Firm in Hong-  
kong and Canton.

WENYON & ROBINSON,  
Hongkong, 1st March, 1892.

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### Auctions.

#### PUBLIC AUCTION.

MR. J. M. ARMSTRONG has received  
instructions from the Mortgagors to sell  
by Public Auction, on

TUESDAY,

the 8th March, 1892, at 3 o'clock p.m.,  
at the Premises, in One Lot,

SATURDAY,  
the 12th day of March, 1892, at 3 o'clock p.m.,  
on the Premises, in One Lot,

THE FOLLOWING  
VALUABLE LEASEHOLD PROPERTY  
situate at Victoria Gap, on which  
stands the Magnificent Building  
known as the  
"PEAK HOTEL."

All that portion of the PIECE or PARCEL of  
GROUND situate near the Gap; Victoria Peak,  
in the Colony of Hongkong, Registered in the  
Land Office as Farm Lot No. 53, abutting on the  
North side thereof on the Premises next after  
described and measuring thereon respectively  
148 feet 4 inches or thereabouts, and 115  
feet 4 inches or thereabouts on the South side  
thereon on either portion of the said Farm Lot  
No. 53 and measuring thereon 118 feet 2 inches  
or thereabouts on the East side thereof on other  
portion of the said Farm Lot No. 53 and measuring  
thereon 118 feet 2 inches or thereabouts, and  
on the West side thereof on Ground being the  
Premises lastly hereinabove described and  
measuring thereon respectively 220 feet and 3 inches  
or thereabouts and 29 feet 4 inches or there-  
abouts and which said Piece of Parcel of  
Ground is Registered in the Land Office as  
Section A of Farm Lot No. 53. And all that  
portion of the Piece or Parcel of Ground Regis-  
tered as Section A of Extension of Farm Lot  
No. 53, known and Registered in the Land Office  
as the Remaining Portion of Section A of Extension  
of Farm Lot No. 53. The above Pieces of  
Ground are shown on the Sale Plan and thereon  
coloured Red and Blue and contain altogether  
an area of 60,000 square feet.

And also the right to all the Extension of  
Section A Farm Lot No. 53, more particularly  
shown on the Sale Plan and thereon coloured  
Blue, containing an area of 0.310 square feet  
Together with the Messengers' Erections and  
Buildings thereon known as the "PEAK  
HOTEL."

The Purchaser will, on surrendering the whole  
of the above Premises, be entitled to one New  
Mortgage "Lot Lease" direct from the Crown  
for a term of 99 years from the 5th December,  
1892, at the Gross Rental of \$48 per annum.

JOHNSON, STOKES & MASTER,  
Solicitors for the Mortgagors, Hongkong,  
PALMER & TURNER,  
Architects,  
or to  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
Auctioneer.

For sale plan, further particulars and condi-  
tions of sale apply to

WOTTON & DEACON,  
Solicitors for the Mortgagors, Hongkong,  
PALMER & TURNER,  
Architects,  
or to  
J. M. ARMSTRONG,  
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The Houses will be sold in one lot or separate  
lots, comprising one House each, at the option  
of the Vendors.

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Hongkong, 25th February, 1892.

### Auctions.

#### GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

THE following Particulars and Conditions of  
Sale of Crown Land, together with  
Buildings thereon, by Public  
Auction, to be held on the Spot on  
MONDAY,

the 7th day of March, 1892, at 4 P.M., are  
published.

By Command,

W. M. GOODMAN,  
Acting Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,  
Hongkong, 20th February, 1892. [265]

Particulars and Conditions of the letting by  
Public Auction 'Sale', to be held on Monday,  
the 7th day of March, 1892, at 4 P.M., by  
Order of His Excellency the Governor, of Five  
Lots of CROWN LAND, together with erec-  
tions and Buildings thereon, in the Colony of  
Hongkong, for a term of 999 years.

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### Intimations.

## W. POWELL & CO.

#### JUST RECEIVED.

#### AN IMMENSE NEW STOCK OF

#### CROCKERY AND GLASS WARE.

BED ROOM WARE, TOILET SETS, DINNER SETS, TEA SETS, JUGS, BASINS,  
TABLE GLASS, ORNAMENTAL GLASS and CHINAWARE.

W. POWELL & CO.

Hongkong, 27th February, 1892. [265]

## THE HONGKONG HOTEL.

#### TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS,

#### "Kremlin"—A. B. C. Code.

#### TELEPHONE,

#### No. 32.

PROPRIETORS.....THE HONGKONG HOTEL COMPANY, LIMITED.

#### NOTICE.

### Insurances.

\$1,000 STG. Payable at Age 55, or  
at death if previous—may be secured by  
a payment at the rate of—

L 7 7 6 (a. b.) ..... 20  
L 8 14 2 ..... 25  
L 10 11 2 ..... 30  
L 13 4 10 ..... 15  
L 17 8 ..... 40  
L 27 12 6 ..... 45

AT THE Policy has been three years in  
force—the Policy-holder will be entitled to  
receive application a Free Paid-up Policy  
for proportionate amount of the Sum Assured,  
as explained in Prospectus should he wish to  
discontinue payment of premiums.

DODWELL, CARLILL & CO.,  
Agents, Hongkong  
912-21 STANDARD LIFE OFFICE.

THE SUN LIFE ASSURANCE COMPANY  
OF CANADA.

ASSETS OVER \$1,000,000.

Policies absolutely non-forfeitable.

No restrictions as to Residence or Travelling.

Rates of premium low.

Policies issued on all approved Forms.

For further particulars apply to

DOUGLAS LAPRAIK & CO.,  
Agents for Hongkong.

23rd February, 1892. [242]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

FOR KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Company's Steamship

"MIKE MARU".

Intimations.

DAKIN BROS. OF CHINA,  
LIMITED,  
CHEMISTS, &c.

COD LIVER OIL JELLY.

THIS is a sweet and exceedingly palatable jelly easily retained and digested by the most delicate stomach. Children speedily grow fond of it and ask for more, and although it contains 50 percent of the purest Cod Liver Oil, all its taste and flavour is entirely covered.

In glass jars at 7 Cents.

COD LIVER OIL "GENUINE"  
NORWEGIAN.

This is without exception the finest oil that can be produced. Great care is taken in selecting healthy livers only in its manufacture, and as we buy direct from the manufacturer, we are able to guarantee it "Genuine."

Per bottle, 75 Cents and \$1.25.

COD LIVER OIL EMULSION.

A form in which the oil may be taken without difficulty by delicate patients and children.

Per bottle, 31.

COD LIVER OIL EMULSION WITH  
HYDROPHOSPHITES ("lime and Soda").

A combination of great value in wasting diseases, especially of the Chest and Respiratory Organs.

Per bottle, \$1. Per dozen \$10.

BALSAM OF ANISEED AND LIQUORICE.

For the relief of all catarrhal complaints, such as Coughs, Colds, Hoarseness and Soreness of the Chest, &c.

In bottles, 50 Cents and \$1.

BALSAMIC COUGH LOZENGES.

A never failing remedy for Coughs.

In bottles, 50 Cents.

Nos. 21 & 24, QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WINES AND SPIRITS.

WE invite attention to the following Brands, all of which are excellent quality and good value for the money.

The same being specially selected by our London House, and bought direct from the most noted Shippers, are imported in wood and bottled by ourselves, thus enabling us to supply the best growths at moderate prices.

In ordering, it is only necessary to state the name and quantity of Wine or Spirit wanted, and initial letter for quality desired.

PORTS. (For Invalids and general use).

Per doz. Per Case.

A Alto Douro, good quality, Green Capule	..... \$10
B Vintage, superior quality, Red Capule	..... 12
C Fine Old Vintage, superior quality, Black Seal Capule	..... 14
D Very Fine Old Vintage, extra superior, Violet Capule (Old Bottled)	..... 18
SHERRIES.	1.25
A Delicate Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Capule	..... 6
B Superior Pale Dry, dinner wine, Green Seal Capule	..... 7.50
C Manzanilla, Pale Natural Sherry, White Capule	..... 10
C.C. Superior Old Pale Dry, Natural Sherry, Red Seal Capule	..... 10
D Very Superior Old Pale Dry, choice old Wine, White Seal Capule	..... 12
E Extra Superior Old Pale Dry, very finest quality, Black Seal Capule (Old Bottled)	..... 14
CLARETS.	1.25
A Superior Breakfast Claret, Red Capule	..... \$4
B St. Estephe, Red Capule	..... 4.50
C St. Julien, Red Capule	..... 7
D La Rose, Red Capule	..... 11
MADEIRA, HOCK AND CHAMPAGNES.	12.00
FULL PARTICULARS OF THE VARIOUS BRANDS IN STOCK ON APPLICATION.	Per doz. Per Case.
BRANDY.	Per doz. Per Case.
A Hennessy's Old Pale, Red Capule	..... \$13
B Superior Very Old Cognac, Red Capule	..... 15
C Very Old Liqueur Cognac, Red Capule	..... 20
D Hennessy's Finest Very Old Liqueur Cognac, 1872 vintage, Red Capule	..... 30
SCOTCH WHISKY.	1.25
A Thorne's Blend, White Capule	..... 8
B Watson's Glenorchy, Mellow Blend, Blue Capule with Name and Trade Mark.	..... 8
C Watson's Abelour-Glenlivet, Red Capule, with Name and Trade Mark.	..... 10
IRISH WHISKY.	1.20
A John Jameson's Old, Green Capule	..... 8
B John Jameson's Fine Old, Green Capule	..... 10
C John Jameson's Very Fine Old, Green Capule	..... 12
GEN.	1.20
A Fine Old Tom, White Capule	..... 4.50
B Fine Unsweetened, White Capule	..... 4.50
C Fine A. V. H. Geneva	..... 5.50
RUM.	1.00
Wine Old Jamaica, Violet Capule	..... 12
Good Lowardi Island, \$1.50 per Gallon.	1.00
LIQUEURS.	1.00
Benedictine Maraschino Curacao Herring's Cordial Chartreuse Dr. Seger's Angostura Bitter, &c.	1.00
BRICKS OF APPLICATION.	1.00
A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.	1.00
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.	1.00
ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.	1.00
Hongkong, 4th February, 1892.	1.00

MARRIAGE:

Gauld—Swanson.—Feb. 4th, at the Union Church, Hongkong, WILLIAM GAULD, Inspector of Police, to ANNIE, relic of the late Inspector Swanson, of Hongkong.

BIRTHS.

At 81, Chapei Road, Shanghai, on the 25th ult., the wife of THOMAS WILLIAM BOWEN, of a son.

At Shanghai, on the 26th ult., the wife of W. VAN CORDE, Esq., of a daughter.

At the Horse Bazaar, Shanghai, on the 27th ult., the wife of BLAIR EDWARD MAYNE, of a daughter.

We are informed by the General Agent of the Canadian Pacific Company that the silk carried by the *Empress of China* to Vancouver was delivered in New York yesterday.—Quick work in the depth of winter.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, MARCH 4, 1892.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

IT is estimated that during the last 10 or 15 years the value of agricultural land in England has fallen 50 per cent.; in some countries the fall is put down as 80 per cent.

A MEETING of the Diligent Lodge of Instruction will be held in Freemason's Hall, Fleet Street, on Thursday, the 10th instant, at 5 p.m. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

IT is rumoured in shipping circles that the directors of the "Shan" line of coasting steamers have decided to replace the *Tongking*, lost near Swatow recently, by a new 800-ton vessel at a comparatively early date.

AMONGST the passengers by yesterday's homeward mail we note the name of Dr. A. M. Cowie, to be posted to Brindisi, and Commodore G. J. Church and his *side-de-camp*, Mr. G. W. Townsend, who are bound for London.

THE managers of the *fantas* den in Al Chung Lane, to which a correspondent referred in our issue of the 27th inst., are now doing a tip-top business in a Lower Lascar Row crib. *Terms*: Cash. A dollar a bill. Drinks free to losers. "Hush-money" ad lib.

THE British steamship *Ardgray*, which arrived here from Wuhan to-day, reports that she had light variable winds and fog throughout, with no perceptible north-east current. Passed a Canadian Pacific mail steamer off Okcok Island, and a P. & O. steamer at 2 p.m. on the 2nd instant.

IT is instructive to read that Queen Victoria has been upon the British throne 53 years, and during that period the nation has paid her (with compound interest) at the very least 10 millions, while the same paid to her offspring, pensioners, descendants, parasites, German or whatnot, must have run the sum up to nearly double that figure. During the Queen's reign one billion pounds sterling has been directly or indirectly spent by the British public in the service of religion. Yet late calculations prove that not one person in five in England ever goes to a place of worship. In 1851, 37 per cent. of the population attended a church of some sort; 1891 shows a decrease to 21.3%.

CAPITAL, we read, is further organising and consolidating in England. The British Ship-owners Federation wants to ally itself with the Mine-owners' Association and the Manufacturers' Union. With such a gigantic combination of taskmasters, it is considered that the capitalists would be able to pulverise the wage-earners and defeat even a universal strike. So they might, under ordinary conditions. But these two master foes confronting each other would present in actual form the paradoxical problem of "an irresistible force and an immovable body." There could be only one outcome to such a position, and that is the physical outburst of the masses, a revolution, in which organised capitalism would be broken up and swept away by a blood-red blizzard. When both sides are fully organised the whirlwind must come along.

THE San Francisco *Chronicle* of February 1st says:—The steamer due here from Hongkong next Thursday will probably receive more thorough sanitary inspection than any vessel that has entered this port for months. Both passengers and crew will go into quarantine if there be any trace of small-pox or other contagious diseases. The lesson of the *Rio* will not be lost if it results in greater care in the inspection of Orientals who come out of the pest-holes of Hongkong and Canton.

THE Kowloonerry-launch *Morning Star* collided with the Dock Co.'s launch *No. 8* last night, just a cable's length astern of the P. & O. steamer *Adriana*, then fast alongside the Wharf and Godwin Co.'s eastermann pier. The Dock Co.'s launch, which was en route from the *Comptillon* to the Hungnam Dock, got the worst of the collision and had to be beached near Yau Ma Tei. An inquiry will be held at the Harbour Office shortly. The *Morning Star* is slightly damaged.

THE N. C. *Daily News* learns from a private letter from Ichang of the 10th that the attempt to imitate Hankow and Kiangsi, in getting up a petition to Lord Salisbury agent in Human Publications, was a failure, there being only two foreigners at that flourishing port who were in a position of sufficient independence to sign it. It appears that the date fixed for the second outbreak at Ichang, according to a placard which reached the British Consul, was Tuesday last, the 23rd. The placard, we are informed, was badly written in its characters, but the style was that of an educated man.

OUR Shanghai morning contemporary of the 29th ult. has the following important note in reference to affairs in the Far North:—A well-informed Chinese gentleman who has lately come down overland from Tientsin asserts that the stories with which the *Peiping Gazette* has been filled of late of great victories obtained over the rebels in the north are almost entirely fictitious; that the numerous decisive actions reported have not taken place at all; the severity of the weather having made operations impossible on either side. The rebels, some twenty thousand in number, well armed, are snugly encamped in their mountain retreats, and will assuredly break out again as soon as the weather moderates; and this news is confirmed by private advices received from other sources.

SAYS the *Sydney Bulletin*:—A large number of the Melbourne lawyers having struck against the solicitors practising in the higher Court as permitted by the new Act, the latter are arranging to import a consignment of cheap barristers from the United Kingdom on a three years' contract. They will be kept in a wooden barracks behind the Law Courts, except in vacation time, when they will be turned out into a grass paddock at Dandenong. Each solicitor will brand his barrister so as to prevent undue frauds and misconceptions. The new consignment will be quarantined on arrival as a precaution against pneumo-pneumonia. Any barrister found to be in the streets without a mordre will be immediately destroyed, and the owner of each one will be required to pay a license fee of 40 pounds. Up to date the scheme promises well, though the first of the consignment unfortunately proved a confirmed buck-jumper.

AN ordinary meeting of the Sanitary Board was held this afternoon. The Registrar-General presided and there were also present the Surveyor-General, the Captain Superintendent of Police, the Colonial Surgeon, Messrs. Francis, Humphreys, Ede, and Woo Li Yuen. It was agreed to authorise Mr. Crook to examine houses and grant certificates under the Building Ordinance in place of Mr. Cooper. It was also agreed to recommend to the Government that the whole control of the public latrines, except the collection of rents, be turned over to the Board. A long dispute ensued on the request of the Government that the Board make arrangements and procure valves for the working of the Vaccine Institute. Ultimately it was resolved, on the motion of Mr. Francis, seconded by Mr. Cooper, that the Colonial Secretary be informed that the Board had no objection to Mr. Ladd's practising valves and apparatus, but would point out that the Board had no funds to meet expenses. On the question of the disinterment and unearthing of the Chinese dead, the offer of Mr. Francis' Ordinance for approval was accepted with thanks. A resolution was read of a case of small-pox on the shipboard *Apulia* yesterday. The President welcomed Mr. Woo Li Yuen back to the Board, and the Board adjourned by a fortnight.

THE P. & O. N. Co.'s steamer *Nisus* left Bombay on the 1st inst.

THERE will be carbine practice for members of the Hongkong Volunteer Artillery at the police rangeat Kowloon on Saturday, 5th inst. A launch will leave Pedder's Wharf at 2.45 p.m.

ACCORDING to the *Moniteur des Colonies*, timber can be taken all the way from America to Tonkin duty-free, while the same timber grown in French Cochinchina would have to pay 10 per cent. in duties before it could get into Tonkin.

WE are informed by the General Agent of the Canadian Pacific Company that the silk carried by the *Empress of China* to Vancouver was delivered in New York yesterday.—Quick work in the depth of winter.

THE British surveying-vessel *Penguin* and the steamer *Patavia* came out of dock to-day, thereby making room for the Mitsui Bussan Kai's chartered steamer *Charter Towers* which is going to have a general clean up.

WE hear that the Scottish Oriental Steamship Co.'s well known Bangkok trader *Devrawong*, Captain P. H. Loft, which has been running between Singapore and New Guinea for the past three months or so, under German charter, is likely to figure amongst the arrivals here at no far distant date.

THE Band of the 1st Shropshire L.I. will play the following programme, at the Officers' Mess this evening, commencing at 7.30 p.m. —

Quartet. "La Joie." "La Reine." "Miles Relais." "Remembrance of 'Officier'." "Waltz." "Run to Plaie." "Run to Plaie." "Waltz." "Selection." "The Sultan of Mocha." "Callie." "Pans Fin." "La Basche." "Maze." "Maze." "Maze."

WE hear that the German Consul at Amoy recently endeavoured to prevent the mate of the bark *Baruto* from joining the Chinese transport *Fuchia* as second officer, although the captain of the bark had no objection to his subordinate thereby improving his position. The officer in question has, we hear, appealed the case to Berlin, and protested against the balance of his wages, \$10, being retained by the Consul. He has, however, sailed in the *Fuchia*, and proposed to stop there, despite the objections of the representative of the Fatherland:

THE *Saigon Tribune* says that by reason of the reduction in the price of opium imposed into the French colonies this year, rendered necessary by repeated losses, the total receipts for January have only been \$138,185, against \$140,280 in January last year, thus giving a much larger consumption but a much less profit. Instead of \$10,000 going to the revenue as clear profit, only \$6,000 is made, and the only advantage is that about double the quantity of poison has been sold, and Annamite degradation has received a smart fillip.

THE well-nigh interminable Excise Officer-Police assault case, which has occupied the attention of Mr. Wink for some weeks past, was on this afternoon. Mr. E. Robinson summed up for prosecution in a speech which lasted fully two hours, after which Mr. Dennis stated that he would finish up on Tuesday afternoon next. The Magistrate promptly agreed to this, adding that he would then be prepared to give his decision, as he would study the "deps" on Sunday—instead of going to hear old Boredom, ch!

ONCE dark and stormy night recently a travelling company were obliged to play some blood-and-thunder melodrama in a country town in New South Wales. When the show should have commenced, the manager found that the audience consisted of one solitary man in the "bab" place. The audience was offered his money back, but he refused it and insisted on his rights, saying he had ridden 30 miles and earned his favourite mare, in response to an invitation contained in the management's circular, and he would see the show. The law was on his side, and the company was compelled to act. All the artists despatched to do their very slummiest and worst, which caused the audience to exercise his critical right, and he was highly liked 17 different kinds of ganders. Then a happy thought struck the manager. He sent for the local police force, and when he arrived had his audience removed from the theatre for disturbing the performance. Then the manager and the leading lady went and liquidated the receipts, while "props" locked up the theatre.

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THE *U.S.S. Alliance* had an unpleasant experience when leaving, or rather attempting to leave, Yokohama on the 26th February. The vessel, which was bound for China, left her moorings about o'clock in the morning. Shortly afterwards it was seen that she was dangerously close in shore, and about 9.15 she ran head on to the breakwater, about 300 feet inside the great buoy which marks the outer edge of the breakwater; she grounded, lying between the buoy and a portion of the breakwater above high water mark. The danger into which the American cruiser was running seems to have attracted the attention of the officers of H.M.S. *Mercury* before the accident occurred, for her launch was alongside the *Alliance* in a trice. She ran out a heavy sheet-anchor and hawser, and later on the Canadian Pacific and the Harbour Works' tug also went to her aid. For several hours she remained in her unpleasant position, but at 1.45 p.m. she was hauled off. The vessel was then placed under survey, and in all probability the keel and copper will be found to have sustained some damage as she was moving at the rate of four knots an hour when she took the ground.

THE TWO

The ex-detective named Tsao Si-yung, who got into trouble and was discharged over a supposed murder, case some years ago, has been since employing himself in various ways without any one knowing what his real occupation is. A few days ago a telegram came from the Soochow authorities demanding his arrest and rendition to answer some charge against him. He was accordingly arrested and lodged in the magistrate's *yamen* before being sent to Soochow.

Towards dusk on a recent evening the Nan-king Vice-roy's deputy, Mr. Yu, and the Shanghai magistrate held another examination of the alleged *Koko* member, Chen Chih-tai. The prisoner still adhered to his plea of innocence. He was again stretched on the bare pole, the torture, however, extracting nothing further from him. Yu was of opinion that unless some more agonizing mode of torture was employed no confession could be wrung from the accused. The prisoner was accordingly ordered to have his hands tied behind his back and then to have a rope attached to his hands, by means of which he was hoisted up. For some hours the prisoner was kept dangling in mid-air with the weight of his whole body on his arms, forced as they were out of their natural position. The long-continued agony must have been most excruciating; nevertheless nothing incriminating was uttered by the accused. The hour waxed late and the court adjourned.

#### HANKOW.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT)

February 23d. It seems to be taken for granted in various quarters that, since H.B.M. Consul here has been empowered to receive the money offered long ago by the Chinese officials as compensation for the injuries inflicted on British subjects, in connection with the Wusuch riot, therefore that matter may be regarded as settled as far as the British Government is concerned. This, however, is by no means necessarily the case, nor is it the view which is adopted here in well-informed quarters.

The British demands were not for money but for the punishment of the guilty, and for security against further outrages. In answer to these the Chinese officials behaved two persons, and sentenced five others to various periods of penal servitude, while to show their disapproval of the conduct of the two mandarins who so shamefully denied help to our murdered friends, both were degraded, and one was deprived of his button. But, although these steps were taken, they were taken in such a way as practically robbed them of all value. The Chinese officials were so careful to make it plain that they were acting only because of the strong pressure which was being brought to bear upon them from without, and that apart from this pressure they would have done nothing, that the leaders of the riot movement were not at all discouraged. Nor have the officials since this, beyond issuing a few proclamations, done anything specially calculated to discourage them.

So the matter stands to-day. It may be that the British Government is quite satisfied with the steps taken by the Chinese officials in consequence of its demands, but it is hardly likely; anyhow, it cannot be so asserted until the same has been signified by itself.

To the money matter. The sum of \$65,000—being \$20,000 each to the families of Messrs. Argent and Green, who were killed, and \$45,000 to the Wesleyan Mission, whose properties were destroyed—was offered, as an early date, by the Chinese officials, simply as compensation to the above-mentioned for injuries inflicted. It has at length been determined to accept this sum simply for the sake of these parties, and on the distinct understanding that the original demands of the British Government are in no wise affected thereby. Should it so happen that we are but at the beginning of a long dispute, the wisdom of the above step can hardly be called in question. It would be obviously unfair to ask those who have suffered so seriously already to wait for their compensation till some grand settlement is come to, it may be years hence. On the other hand the accepting of the money on the distinct understanding that demands already made are not being departed from can do no harm. As a matter of fact, however, it cannot be said yet that the money has been accepted. Although a week ago the Chinese officials were informed of the terms on which it was proposed to accept it, and also the Mission, the latter has not yet accepted it. Nor I believe has it reached H.B.M. Consul.

The matter of the Wusuch riot can in no sense be regarded as settled; while there is no sign of any possible settlement of the Ichang riot being within sight. In addition to the necessarily heavy claims of private individuals, the bill of the British Government for the *Elba*, the *Erk*, etc., must be a pretty heavy one. How it will all end none can tell.

#### NEWS BY THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The following telegrams from our San Francisco exchanges were "crowded out" of last night's issue:

MONTEVIDEO, February 2d. The Malmain banking house has received news from London that the conversion of the debts of the Argentine Republic has been completed. It amounts to £1,000,000.

RIO JANERO, February 2d. The Minister of War has resigned. The Minister of Marine will hold both portfolios.

BUDA-PESTH, February 2d. Twenty persons have lost their lives as a result of the election riots last week.

NEW YORK, February 2d. Benjamin Blum, a young Russian, is the latest addition to the victims of neck-breaking to whom modern surgery has given extensions of life, if not their former health. He fell from an archway five days ago and his neck was broken. There was no actual fracture of the bones, but two points of the spine in the lower part of the neck had slipped apart and would not go back again. The dislocated bones pressed upon the spinal cord and partly paralyzed him.

When he was taken to Bellevue Hospital his eyes were turned inward. He was in a high fever, and there were evidences that spinal meningitis had set in. There was no time to be lost, and Dr. Titterington decided to operate at once. With only his ward assistants to help him, he hung the boy up, suspended from his chin and the back of his head. The assistants pulled on his body and legs and Dr. Titterington snapped the bones of the boy's neck in place by a deft twist. The boy went into convulsions at once and Dr. Titterington believed that he was dying, but he came to and lay in a fair way to recover.

SORIA, February 2d. A fierce encounter with brigands has occurred near Burqat. A body of gendarmes, assisted by peasants, routed the brigands and killed the notorious chief, Leter. Two peasants were killed.

LONDON, February 3d. The lifeboats this morning made several journeys to and from the stranded steamer *Elder* and succeeded in landing all the specie that was on the steamer. It is reported there are 400 sacks of mail matter still on the vessel.

At 2 o'clock this morning the North German Lloyd steamer *Havel*, which sailed from New York January 26th, arrived at Southampton. All the passengers on the ill-fated *Elder* who desired to proceed to Bremen took the *Havel*.

A dispatch from Atherfield says the weather has become finer. Captain Brinckman and a number of the *Elder*'s officers have returned to the steamer, where they are engaged in directing the work of discharging the cargo into lighters.

This evening another storm blew up, and the work of lightening the cargo of the *Elder* had to be discontinued.

The Queen has sent a message to the various coast guard stations which sent crews to the steamer, where they are engaged in directing the work of discharging the cargo into lighters.

Thomas Fisher Uwin, a prominent publisher of this city, was yesterday married to Miss Jane Cobden, daughter of Richard Cobden, the noted political economist.

The British ship *River Niue*, Captain Jones, from Portland, Or., September 30th, for Sligo, is ashore at Broadhaven, on the west coast of Ireland. The ship is leaking so badly that the crew are compelled to keep her free of water. The Marquesas Islands were touched. The crew refused to stay in the vessel, as the steam pumps were unable to free the hold of water, and it was decided to run for Tahiti. After the cargo of tea was unloaded an inspection of the barkentine showed her to be badly damaged and she was condemned and sold. G. Lawson and R. Petersen, two sailors from the *Niue*, came up with the captain. The remaining nine men shipped on other vessels or remained at Tahiti.

The barkentine *Malay*, of which Captain Culicott was commander, sailed from this port last August for Mollendo with a cargo of railroads for a Peruvian railroad. Heavy weather was experienced, and the bark sprang a leak. The Marquesas Islands were touched. The crew refused to stay in the vessel, as the steam pumps were unable to free the hold of water, and it was decided to run for Tahiti. After the cargo of tea was unloaded an inspection of the barkentine showed her to be badly damaged and she was condemned and sold. G. Lawson and R. Petersen, two sailors from the *Niue*, came up with the captain. The remaining nine men shipped on other vessels or remained at Tahiti.

PARIS, February 3d.

In an interview to-day with Lockroy, late Minister of Commerce, on the subject of the new French tariff, M. Lockroy said: "These protectionist tariffs will first be felt by the people of the large towns. Some saloons have increased the price of beer, while others have diminished the size of the glasses, pretending to use the smaller glass for imported beer only. The restaurant-keepers have already held a meeting, at which they decided to augment prices on the ground of the new tariff."

Dr. G. Plooy, a well-known member of the Academy of Medicine, and a prominent practitioner, died yesterday (Tuesday) of pulmonary congestion.

The *Temps* has a dispatch from Senegal saying the natives of Dabouey have ravaged the country around Popo and captured 3,000 slaves. Trade is at a standstill.

An interesting communication was made yesterday (Tuesday) to the Academy of Medicine by Dr. Leon Danion on the introduction of various medicines into the system of animals and men by means of electricity, which he has demonstrated by various experiments on himself. It is through the mucous membrane that Dr. Danion claims to introduce the substance by a method which, if borne out by experience, will revolutionize the art of medicine.

Edgar, Raoul Duval, a well-known French politician, died to-day.

WASHINGTON, February 3d.

Sir Julian Pauncefote, the British Minister, and Postmaster-General Wanamaker to-day signed the parcels post convention between the United States and British Guiana.

BRUSSELS, February 3d.

The anti-slavery conference act was ratified by the United States at the Foreign Ministry to-day in conformity with a resolution of the United States Senate.

The latest victim to influenza here is Senora Gutiérrez de Aguirre, wife of the Spanish Minister.

VIENNA, February 3d.

Emperor Francis Joseph is reluctant to sign the death warrants of Frank and Rosalie Schneider, convicted of murdering and robbing servant girls. The death sentence will probably be commuted to imprisonment for life.

DUBLIN, February 3d.

A boat containing a number of sailors belonging to the warship *Belle Isle* has been capsized in the harbor here and four sailors were drowned.

BRUSSELS, February 3d.

Dr. Meberding, director of the Catholic gymnasium at Gilnet, in Prussian Silesia, is dead.

MADRID, February 3d.

A terrific gale is blowing in this vicinity. Much property has already been destroyed and ten persons have been seriously injured by falling debris.

BORDEAUX, February 3d.

The ecclesiastical agitation against the Government was revived to-day by Father Barbe, who, in a sermon before a large congregation, described the Government as a party of executioners and sectarians who dragged archbishops before their tribunals. France, he added, could be saved only by the restoration of royalty. The prelate's remarks caused a sensation and a number of angry protests were raised. Many left the church.

ATHENS, February 3d.

The American School of Archaeology has completed excavations at the theatres at Sicyon and Etrusca. It obtained a concession to dig at Herakleion and Argos, and the exclusive right to dig for four years at Sparta, Mycenae and Latocon.

BELFAST, February 3d.

Rev. Dr. Hanna, leader of the Irish Presbyterians, died to-day.

DOUGLAS AND BLOOM.

THE TWO BOLD BUCCANEERS HEARD FROM.

Douglas and Bloom, the bold buccaneers who absconded from Sydney, New South Wales, with £10,000, arrived at Tahiti from Honolulu on December 12th last after a voyage of thirty-two days. They were in good health and spirits, and stated that they were Australian gentlemen of leisure and means who were making a pleasure trip in the South Pacific.

The news of their whereabouts came by the barkentine *City of Potosi*, which arrived yesterday (February 14th). Among the passengers was Captain J. P. Callahan of the American barkentine *Malay*, which was condemned and sold at Tahiti three months ago. He brings considerable information regarding Douglas and Bloom and their whereabouts.

"The yacht *Beagle* arrived at Tahiti three days before I sailed for San Francisco," said the captain yesterday. "I met Mr. Douglas when he came ashore and was invited to dinner that evening. I found both him and Bloom were very pleasant men. They spoke of having stopped some time at Honolulu, furnishing a house and spending \$3,000 while there. They gave as a reason for leaving that they were tired of the place."

"I had a full set of charts of the South American west coast, which they expressed a desire to become possessed of, so I sold them to the *Beagle*'s owners. Douglas asked many questions regarding Callao, and also Valparaiso, and had me calling a course to both places. Both men were most hospitable, and entertained royally. When they came to pay me for the charts, I expressed surprise at their being so plentifully supplied with ready money. They turned the master off by saying that they had cashed a draft at Honolulu. Nobody suspected anything wrong, though the fact was remarked that they kept close to or on board their yacht all the time while at Tahiti."

"The Australian steamer *Richmond* touched Tahiti, but no particular notice was taken of the yacht. The day the *City of Potosi* sailed Douglas told me he would leave for South America the following day. The previous evening he entertained at dinner the British Consul on board the yacht. The furniture they took away from Honolulu was still aboard on board, and not a single man from capital to

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